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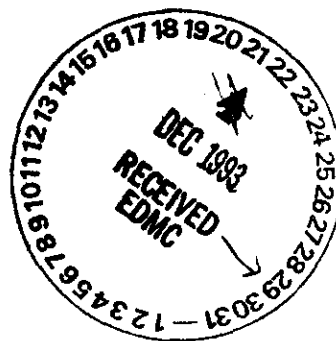
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VIA FACSIMILE

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Re: Comments on Hanford Draft Cleanup Permit

Dear Mr. Duncan:

This letter is a follow-up to our telephone conversation of this morning. I am writing on behalf of U. S. Ecology to request an extension of time for U. S. Ecology's comments on the draft Hanford RCRA cleanup permit.

U. S. Ecology requests an extension of the comment period for three reasons. First, our law firm first became actively involved in this matter on February 14, 1992 and must review numerous background documents before being able to assist in providing meaningful comments. Secondly, the Draft RCRA Facility Assessment Report for U. S. Ecology was not made available until the public hearings of February 18-20, 1992. Finally, several of the issues we intend to address are complex because the activities of U. S. Ecology facility are licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Washington Department of Social and Health Services, and because U. S. Ecology is not a permittee under the draft permit.

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Please call me at 583-8885 as soon as you have a decision regarding the request for an extension of time for comments or for a meeting. We appreciate your time and attention in this matter.

Very truly yours,


David Dabroski

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